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RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

Applicants submit this Response to the Office Communication mailed on August 24, 2004 in association with the above-referenced application. In particular, the Office Communication alleged that the amendment filed on June 22, 2004 (originally mailed on September 22, 2003 in response to the Office Action dated April 21, 2003) was non-responsive because the amendment format did not follow the revised practice under 37 CFR §1.121. Accordingly, Applicants hereby submit a revised copy of the previously filed response which provides a full copy of all claims indicating their status in prosecution. No substantive changes have been made to the Response and Amendment originally filed on September 22, 2003. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any underpayments, or credit any overpayments, to our **Deposit Account No. 06-1448; Reference HMV-52.01**.